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SUBJECT: BUSINESS COUNCIL ON NATIONAL ISSUES

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1. BUSINESS COUNCIL ON NATIONAL ISSUES (BCNI) MENTIONED IN REFTEL AS UMBRELLA EMPLOYER GROUP FOR JOINT CONSULTATIONS WITH LABOR LEADERS AND GOC ON MARCH 22 WAS FOUNDED 18 MONTHS AGO. ACCORDING TO FINANCIAL TIMES ARTICLE OF FEBRUARY 21 (COPIES OF STORY BEING POUCHED), FOUNDING EMBERS OF GROUP WERE 20 CHIEF EXECUTIVES OF LARGEST CORPORATIONS IN CANADA WITH WILLIAM TWAITS, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF IMPERIAL OIL LTD. AS HEAD.

2. BCNI NOW COMPOSED OF MORE THAN 75 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF CORPORATIONS, SUCH AS PETER GORDON, CHAIRMAN OF STELCO, ROY BENNETT, PRESIDENT OF FORD, WILLIAM MCLEAN, PRESIDENT OF CANADA PACKERS, EARLE MCLAUGHLIN, CHAIRMAN OF ROYAL BANK, THOMAS BELL, CHAIRMAN OF ABITIBI PAPER, AS WELL AS THOSE BUSINESSMEN MENTIONED PARA 2 REFTEL.

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3. IN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION ON BCNI, CONGEN OFFICER IN TORONTO TALKED WITH WILLIAM ARCHIBALD, PRESIDENT/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF BCNI AND ONLY FULLTIME EMPLOYEE. ARCHIBALD REFERRED OFFICER TO FINANCIAL TIMES ARTICLE AND SAID STORY CONTAINED "BEST INFORMATION THERE IS." COUNCIL APPARENTLY JUST STARTING TO TALK ABOUT ITS

POLICIES AND RAISON D'ETRE. ARCHIBALD SUGGESTED OFFICER
CALL BACK AFTER BCNI MEETING IN MID-APRIL, AFTER WHICH
GROUP WOULD HAVE BETTER IDEA OF WHAT IT WOULD DO AND HOW
IT WOULD PROCEED.

4. EMBASSY WILL REPORT FURTHER ON BCNI AS IT
DEVELOPS. ENDERS

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